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AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-30. (canceled)

31. (previously presented) A method performed by one or more electronic apparatuses for providing a personalized presentation of news and information to a recipient comprising steps that perform the acts of:

obtaining preferences of the recipient that represent one or more preferred categories in a form that conforms to a base hierarchical structure comprising topics and subtopics, wherein each subtopic is hierarchically subordinate to a respective topic in the base hierarchical structure;

applying a first mapping to obtain a first indication of categories that represents the one or more preferred categories in a form that conforms to a first hierarchical structure comprising topics, wherein the first mapping specifies a transformation between the topics and the subtopics in the base hierarchical structure to the topics in the first hierarchical structure;

generating first search requirements in response to the first indication of categories and using the first search requirements to identify one or more first documents from a first source of documents, each first document having content deemed pertinent to at least some of the one or more preferred categories;

applying a second mapping to obtain a second indication of categories that represents the one or more preferred categories in a form that conforms to a second hierarchical structure comprising topics, wherein the second mapping specifies a transformation between the topics and the subtopics in the base hierarchical structure to the topics in the second hierarchical structure;

generating second search requirements in response to the second indication of categories and using the second search requirements to identify one or more second documents from a second source of documents, each second document having content deemed pertinent to at least some of the one or more preferred categories;

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obtaining content information that represent at least part of the content of one or more of the first documents or one or more of the second documents; and

generating a representation of articles including the content information such that a presentation of the representation conforms to a specified presentation layout.

32. (previously presented) A method according to claim 31 wherein the base hierarchical structure also comprises keywords, each keyword is hierarchically subordinate to a respective subtopic in the base hierarchical structure, the first mapping specifies a transformation between the keywords as well as the topics and subtopics in the base hierarchical structure to the topics in the first hierarchical structure, and the second mapping specifies a transformation between the keywords as well as the topics and subtopics in the base hierarchical structure to the topics in the second hierarchical structure.

33. (previously presented) A method according to claim 31 wherein the first hierarchical structure also comprises subtopics, each subtopic is hierarchically subordinate to a respective topic in the first hierarchical structure, and the first mapping specifies a transformation between the topics and subtopics in the base hierarchical structure to the topics and the subtopics in the first hierarchical structure.

34. (previously presented) A method according to claim 31 that comprises:

generating a list of entries in which each entry corresponds to a respective first document or a respective second document and delivering an indication of the list to the recipient; and

receiving from the recipient an indication of selected entries in the list of entries selected by the recipient and identifying one or more selected documents corresponding to the selected entries;

wherein the content information represents at least part of the content of each selected document.

35-40. (canceled)